

Third. The wounds of the worm set up a chronic inflammation which impairs digestion.

Fourth. Through them entrance into the system by disease producing bacteria is made easy.

Fifth. Eggs are deposited which, when expelled from the body, develop into infecting worms.



FIGURE 8. Selma Ellis seven weeks later after taking the hookworm treatment. He was able to walk and run; weighed 79 pounds; and during the past winter he has been in school.

Resulting from these harmful effects the host is found to present certain pronounced symptoms which we shall now consider.

SYMPTOMS OF HOOKWORM DISEASE.

The *symptoms of hookworm disease vary in severity* with the degree and effect of the infection. They may be *mild, medium, or severe.*

MILD CASES.—In mild cases perhaps no symptoms are observable, and